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In re patent application of:
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Serial No. 09/349,049

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METHOD WITH VEHICLE
ALLOCATION BASED ON
TRAVEL INFORMATION

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.136, Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for a 3-month extension of time extending to January 3, 2000 the period for filing responsive documents to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 3, 1999. A check to cover the 3 month extension fee of \$870.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed.

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 3, 1999, response to which is due October 3, 1999, enclosed are the following:

1. A check for \$130.00 to cover the surcharge fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e);
2. Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorney executed by Hiroshi Murakami, Shunji Yano and Kazuhiro Nakamura;
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Hiroshi Murakami, Shunji Yano and Kazuhiro Nakamura; and
4. Declaration executed by Matthew Barth and Michael Todd.

Applicants are unable to provide a copy of the Notice of Missing Parts with this Response because the original Notice of Missing Parts was never received by Applicants or their counsel. In accordance with discussions with the Office of Initial Patent Examination, Applicants were advised to prepare this Response and file it without the required copy of the Notice of Missing Parts.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-0440. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), this authorization should be treated as a general authorization

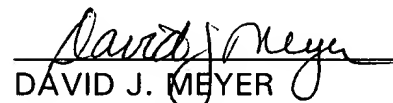
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to charge fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 10-0440 for the entire pendency of this application. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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